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1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT DEPARTURE STATEMENT KUWAIT ISSUED BY SENATOR PERCY TO PRESS ON JANUARY 11. DEPARTMENT PLEASE PASS TO TOM FLAHERTY, SENATOR PERCY'S OFFICE:

"KUWAIT JANUARY 11 - SENATOR CHARLES H. PERCY SAID HERE TODAY THAT HE HAD FOUND IN KUWAIT A DEEP AND SINCERE DESIRE FOR PEACE BETWEEN ARABS AND ISRAELIS, AS WELL AS A WISH FOR INCREASING ECONOMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN KUWAIT AND THE UNITED STATES.

WE AMERICANS ACCEPT THAT THE DAYS OF INEXPENSIVE OIL ARE OVER, PERCY SAID IN A STATEMENT UPON HIS DEPARTURE FROM KUWAIT CITY. BUT THERE IS AN OBVIOUS NEED NOW FOR MAJOR CONSUMERS TO COOPERATE WITH THE OIL PRODUCERS. SUCCESS IN ACHIEVING CONSERVATION AND PRODUCER-CONSUMER AGREEMENTS ON PRODUCTION

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POLICIES WILL ASSURE FOR COUNTRIES LIKE KUWAIT, THE UNITED

ARAB EMIRATES AND OMAN AN EXTENDED LIFE FOR THEIR PRINCIPAL ECONOMIC RESOURCE.

IF THE UNITED STATES IS WILLING TO LEAD THE WAY IN WORLDWIDE OIL CONSERVATION, AS I BELIEVE IT WILL AND MUST, AND IF THE PRODUCERS DO NOT MEET OUR EFFORTS TO CONSERVE OIL WITH ANOTHER SERIES OF PRICE INCREASES, THEN THERE IS NO LIMIT TO THE AMOUNT OF PROGRESS COUNTRIES LIKE KUWAIT AND THE U.S. TOGETHER CAN MAKE FOR BOTH THEIR PEOPLES.

KUWAIT IS CLEARLY INTERESTED IN ITS OWN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND IS ACTIVELY SEEKING COOPERATIVE, COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS WITH AMERICAN INDUSTRY. ALTHOUGH THERE ARE AN INCREASING NUMBER OF AMERICANS IN KUWAIT, I LEAVE WITH A SENSE THAT U.S. COMPANIES ARE NOT PURSUING THE BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES HERE AS AGGRESSIVELY AS THEY COULD, AND I INTEND TO TAKE THAT MESSAGE HOME. THE KUWAITIS' FINANCIAL RESOURCES AND FAST-INCREASING ECONOMIC SOPHISTICATION, COMBINED WITH OUR TECHNICAL KNOWHOW AND MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE, CAN BENEFIT PEOPLE EVERYWHERE.

THE ILLINOIS SENATOR SAID: "MY ALL TOO BRIEF VISIT TO KUWAIT HAS BEEN HIGHLY SATISFYING AND USEFUL, AS A MEMBER OF THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE, I CAME HERE ON THIS FACT FINDING MISSION TO TALK WITH KUWAITI LEADERS AND GAIN THEIR VIEWS FIRST HAND ON ISSUES OF CONCERN TO THE COMMITTEE AND IN A LARGER SENSE THE UNITED STATES. IN THIS INTERDEPENDENT WORLD IN WHICH WE LIVE WHERE MODERN COMMUNICATIONS HAVE SO SHRUNK DISTANCES, I CANNOT STRESS TOO STRONGLY THE IMPORTANCE OF OPEN DIALOGUE. I HAVE HAD THIS DIALOGUE WITH HIS HIGHNESS THE AMIR AND WITH LEADING GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, BUSINESSMEN AND EDUCATORS. ONE BROAD CONCLUSION I HAVE COME TO IS THAT KUWAIT AND THE UNITED STATES AGREE ON MOST ESSENTIAL MATTERS.

HE THANKS THE PEOPLE AND THE GOVERNMENT OF KUWAIT FOR THEIR MOST GRACIOUS HOSPITALITY, AND SAID THAT HE HOPED TO RETURN FOR A MUCH LONGER VISIT IN THE FUTURE. PERCY IS CURRENTLY ON A 12-NATION, 23-DAY TOUR OF THE MIDDLE EAST. TODAY HE WILL BE IN BAHRAIN AND SUNDAY HE WILL FLY TO QATAR."
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